

# Saint Patrick Parish Sacramental Program Calendar 2025-2026

Children preparing to celebrate the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist:

- 1) must be baptized. Please provide a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.
- 2) must have successfully completed first grade religious education classes in either a parish or Catholic school. If your child completed first grade in a parish other than St. Patrick, you must provide a letter indicating the successful completion of first grade.



As part of the requirements to receive the Sacraments, students must attend the Blessing Cup Retreat with at least one parent on Saturday, October 25, 2025 and one of the Jesus Day Retreats on Saturday, April 18, 2026 or Saturday April 25, 2026, in addition to the scheduled rehearsals for these sacraments.

## FIRST RECONCILIATION

**Rite of Enrollment**  
**Sunday, October 5, 2025**  
at the 9:30am and 11:30am masses

This Rite of Enrollment ceremony marks the beginning of a "journey of faith" for children and their parents.

The Rite takes place after the homily, when the Sacramental Program registrants will be asked to stand and affirm their willingness to prepare to receive the sacraments.

**Blessing Cup Retreat**  
**Saturday, October 25, 2025**  
at 10:00am  
in the Fr. Ed Parish Center Gym  
(child must attend with a parent)

This hour-long retreat is facilitated by potter, Ray Boswell. Through imagery, song, prayer, and demonstration, participants learn about Reconciliation. At the conclusion of the retreat, each child decorates a ceramic chalice that becomes their Blessing Cup.



**First Reconciliation Rehearsal**  
**with Father Jared**  
**Tuesday, December 2, 2025**  
at 4:00pm or 7:00pm in the church  
(child must attend with a parent)

**First Reconciliation Celebration**  
**Tuesday, December 9, 2025**  
at 7:00pm in the church



## FIRST EUCHARIST

**Mandatory Parent Meeting**  
**March 2026**  
(exact date to be determined)

**Jesus Day Retreat**  
**Saturday, April 18, 2026**  
**Or**

**Saturday, April 25, 2026**  
8:30 - 10:30 am in the church and parish center

The Jesus Day Retreat prepares our young first communicants to celebrate the sacrament of the Eucharist. Children will make their communion banners, tour the church and practice receiving the bread, which once consecrated, becomes the Body of Jesus Christ.

*A SignUp Genius link will be provided in March to select a retreat date.*

## **First Communion Masses**

**Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 10:00am**  
Rehearsal: Thursday, April 30 from 4:00-5:30pm

**Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 11:30am**  
Rehearsal: Friday, May 1 from 4:00-5:00pm

**Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 10:00am**  
Rehearsal: Thursday, May 7 from 4:00-5:30pm

*Children must attend the rehearsal for their First Communion mass. Rehearsals are specific to each mass and are not interchangeable.*

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